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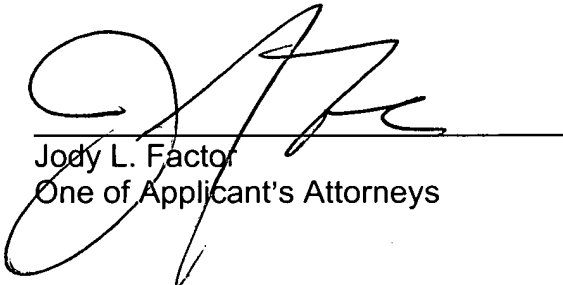
The Examiner has restricted the above-identified application into two different inventions and required election of one of them. Accordingly, Applicant provisionally elects Group I directed to Claims 110-125, drawn to a method for preparing a porcine islet.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 226-1818 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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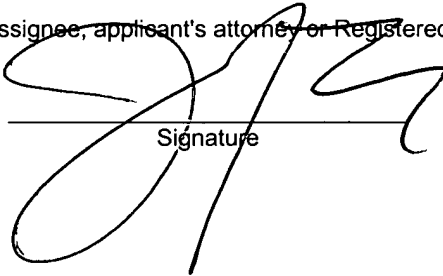

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